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14	AISHA COOKS-PUTNAM, individually,	Case No.
15	Plaintiff,	NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF ACTION
16	vs.	(DIVERSITY)
17	TRUMP LAS VEGAS CORP., a Nevada corporation d/b/a Trump International	
18	Hotel & Tower Las Vegas; TRUMP	
	INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER LAS VEGAS UNIT OWNERS ASSOCIATION,	
19	a Nevada non-profit corporation; TRUMP RUFFIN TOWER I, LLC, a Delaware LLC	
20	d/b/a Trump International Hotel & Tower Las Vegas; TRUMP RUFFIN	
21	COMMERCIAL, LLC a Delaware LLC d/b/a Trump International Hotel & Tower	
22	Las Vegas; OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY, a New Jersey corporation; DOES I though	
23	XX, inclusive; and ROE BUSINESS	
24	ENTITIES I through XX, inclusive,	
25	Defendants.	
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NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF ACTION (DIVERSITY)

COMES NOW, Defendant TRUMP RUFFIN TOWERS I, LLC, erroneously sued herein as TRUMP LAS VEGAS CORP; TRUMP INTERNATIONAL HOTEL & TOWER LAS VEGAS UNIT OWNERS ASSOCIATION and TRUMP RUFFIN COMMERCIAL, LLC (hereinafter referred to as "Defendants"), by and through their counsel of record, Josh Cole Aicklen, Esq., and David B. Avakian Esq., of LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP, and hereby removes to this Federal Court the State Court action described below, and in support states as follows:

- 1. On May 15, 2015, an action was commenced in the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada, entitled <u>AISHA COOKS-PUTNAM vs. TRUMP LAS VEGAS</u> <u>CORP., et al.</u> Case No. A-15-718473-C (A copy of the Complaint and Summons in this state court action is attached hereto as **Exhibit "A."**)
- 2. The Summons and Complaint was served on Defendants by personal service to Defendant's resident agent on May 29, 2015.
- 3. This notice is filed timely pursuant to 28 U.S.C. section 1446(b). Thirty days have not elapsed since the case became removable.
- 4. This action is a civil action of which this Court has original jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. section 1332, as there is complete diversity between the parties and I am informed and believe that more than \$75,000 is in controversy, exclusive of interest and costs. Accordingly, pursuant to 28 U.S.C section 1441, Defendant is entitled to remove this action to this court.
- 5. This case arises out of an alleged elevator incident occurring at Defendant's premises. Plaintiff now seeks money damages, and I am informed and believe that Plaintiff seek to recover in excess of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs.
- 6. Plaintiff is, and during all relevant times was, a resident of the State of the Illinois. Defendant TRUMP RUFFIN TOWER I, LLC is, and was at the time this action commenced, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business in the State of Delaware. Accordingly, there

is now, and there was at the time of the commencement of this action, complete diversity between Plaintiff and Defendant. OTIS is and at all relevant times was a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey.

- 7. The action in the state court was not commenced more than one year before the date of this removal.
- 8. A true and correct copy of this Notice of Removal will be filed with the Clerk for the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada.
- 9. There are no other known Defendants who did not join in the removal of this action.

Based on the foregoing, Defendant removes this action, which is currently pending in the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada as Case No. A-115-718473-C to Federal Court.

By

DATED this 19th day of June, 2015

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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 2 Pursuant to NRCP 5(b), A.O. 14-2 and N.E.F.C.R. 9, I certify that I am an employee of LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP, and that on this 19th day of 3 4 June, 2015, I did cause a true and correct copy of NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF ACTION 5 (DIVERSITY) to be served by electronic service with the Eighth Judicial District Court 6 Wiznet filing system to the parties on the Electronic Service List addressed as follows: 7 Lawrence J. Smith, Esq. BENSON, BERTOLDO, BAKER & CARTER 7408 W. Sahara Avenue Las Vegas, Nevada 89117 Telephone: 702-228-2600 Facsimile: 702-228-2333 11 lawre3@bensonlawyers.com susanf@bensonlawyers.com 12 Attorneys for Plaintiff AISHA COOKS-PUTNAM 13 Rebecca L. Mastrangelo, Esq. 14 ROGERS, MASTRANGELO, CARVALHO & **MITCHELL** 300 S. Fourth Street, Ste. 710 Las Vegas, NV 89101 Telephone: 702-383-3400 Facsimile: 702-384-1460 rmastrangelo@rmcmlaw.com Attorney for Defendant 18 OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY 19 20 21 22 Ву ___ /s/ Susan Kingsbury 23 an Employee of LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP 24 25 26 27 28

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